

Parents' Problems

By DONALD M. MAYNARD

Questions About Death

My three-year-old heard a neighbor and myself talking about a person that had died four days ago. Just now she asked me, "How come did Lee's mother die?" What would be your answer to this?

Death does not mean a great deal to a three-year-old girl, although she may have had some contact with it by seeing birds or animals that were dead. Certainly death is not yet associated in her mind with a great sense of loss or of sorrow.

Therefore, in answering her question I would suggest that in a very matter-of-fact way you tell your daughter that death comes when a person's body is worn out or sometimes when he has a bad accident. In this case you can say that Lee's mother died because her body wore out. That is probably all you need to say.

Do not go into any of the details concerning her death. Change the subject to something else. In this way you are not avoiding her question, you are answering it honestly, and at the same time you are avoiding that sort of dwelling upon death that might cause great emotional upset or fear on her part.

If you should find that after hearing you and your neighbor talking about this death, your daughter seems to be unusually nervous, can't sleep at night, and is restless and irritable, it may be that the idea of death bothers her more than you realize. She may have the idea, for example, that when one is sick he dies.

If you think there may be this misunderstanding in her mind, refer to someone who has been sick but who now is well because the doctors knew how to help her get well, and comment casually that most people who are sick get well.

Unhappy With Father

My husband has never had any sympathy for our little girl—always laughed when she was sad or upset. Consequently she will never go to him except when happy. How can he overcome this? She gets so upset when I leave and unless she is happy never looks forward to being with him. He loves her dearly and I know this hurts him, even though he has been the cause.

I judge from your question that your husband now realizes that he should not have laughed at your daughter when she was sad or upset and that he is genuinely sorry that he did so.

He must realize, however, that because he has made fun of her in the past the little girl quite naturally has come to the place where she doesn't want to be around him when she feels unhappy. Nothing he can do will change her attitude immediately. Mistakes are not overcome that easily.

Let me suggest the following: The next time the little girl is upset or unhappy and is with you, let your husband remain with you, also, and let him be unusually sympathetic and understanding with reference to your daughter's feeling.

At first she undoubtedly will cling more to you and may even express some hostility toward your husband for being present. If he will be patient, however, he will at all times guard against

laughing at the little girl when she feels sad, if he will try to increase the number of times they can have happy experiences together, it is likely that she will learn gradually to accept him at all times, not simply when she is feeling good.

He should be stressed again, however, that it will take time to bring about this change in your little daughter, but if the above procedure is followed it should bring results.

Teen Money Troubles

We have a modest income. Our son, sixteen, is unhappy because he can't keep up with his school friends in social life. The girls expect corsets that cost five dollars, and expensive entertaining we can't afford. Any suggestions?

I have no suggestions for an easy solution of your problem. In fact, I don't think there is one.

It isn't pleasant to be unable to keep up with financial expectations of one's crowd, but, after all, there is no lesson in life that is more important than that

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of learning to accept one's financial position and to adjust to it accordingly. If the income of your family doesn't permit you to keep up with his crowd, then he'll just have to accept that fact and make the best of it.

But something else needs to be said. Surely not all of those in your son's crowd are financially affluent. There must be other boys who are as embarrassed as your son. He'll know who they are.

Suggest that they get together and decide that on their dates they'll not pamper the whims of the weaker sex. Let them plan dates together. Adolescents with a little ingenuity and creativeness can have good times together without spending a lot of money.

And let's not be unfair to the girls. Many of them are sane and sensible and won't expect the boys to provide entertainment they can't afford.

It should be remembered, too, that a boy who has "something on the ball," that is, who has an attractive personality and is active in school affairs, can get by without buying corsets and always providing expensive entertainment. Furthermore, there are beautiful flower arrangements that can be had for a reasonable sum.

Granting that your son should learn to get along on the family income, it also is true that he should have the satisfaction that comes from an occasional "splurge."

Even with your modest income, for example, you probably can agree to pay for one or two corsets a year for special occasions. It can be understood that if he wants to give them more frequently than this, he must pay for them out of his allowance or get the money for them by working for it. By following some such plan, he will not feel entirely left out of his crowd.

Baptismal Dinner Given in Honor of Duane E. Wolting

Duane Ernest Wolting, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adrian E. Wolting of 1908 Gramery Avenue, Torrance, was baptized in the Long Beach Lutheran Church by Rev. M. Bruer on July 15th. Following the baptismal service, a dinner was served at the family home on Gramery Avenue. One of the highlights of the dinner was the decoration of the

Christian Science Reading Room Open to Public

The public is cordially invited to visit and use the facilities of the Christian Science Reading Room at its new location, 1223 El Prado Torrance.

A librarian will be on duty to answer questions about Christian Science and to explain how to study the Bible lessons. The hours will be from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. daily except Sundays and holidays; also Monday and Friday evenings from 7 to 9 p. m.

The King James version of the Bible and all authorized Christian Science literature may be read, borrowed, or purchased.

Legionaire Installation Is August 11

The Whittier Post of the American Legion will install Commander - elect Robert R. Faren and the other new officers of the Bert S. Crossland Post in public ceremonies at the Border avenue hall of the local post on Saturday, August 11th, at 8 p. m. Joseph Platt, Faren's Adjutant, announced today.

Members of the new and old executive committee will discuss plans for the installation and coming year's activities at a meeting to be held at Platt's home, 21100 S. Harvard Blvd., this evening (Thursday) at 7:45 p. m.

The new officers of the Bert S. Crossland Post are Robert R. Faren, commander; Harry T. Green, first vice commander; Stanley Heiman, second vice commander; Joseph Platt, adjutant; L. Verne Babcock, finance officer; Cornelius J. Ryan, chaplain; Ken Cunningham, service officer; Wm. Dymond, Sgt.-at-arms; and Pat Cunningham, assistant sgt.-at-arms. Lyle O'Hara, James Baudin and James Wilkes were elected to the executive committee.

Adult School Gets Neon Sign, Named Changed

The Torrance Adult School will henceforth be known as the Torrance Opportunity School, it was voted by the Torrance Unified School Board July 17.

The Board also voted to purchase and install a neon sign to be placed on the outside of the High School building at a place most likely to be read by passing motorists.

The new sign will read as follows:

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The word "Welcome" will be in red 6 inches high and will be connected to a blinker. The remainder of the sign will be in blue and will be four inches high.

Change of Fern-Greenwood Schools Attendance Zone

The Board of Education of the Torrance Unified School District at its July 17 meeting voted to change Fern Avenue-Greenwood School attendance zone from its presently established location on the alley between Ampola and Cota avenues.

The new eastern boundary will begin at and include 2210 203rd street; continuing south to the alley between Sartori and Border avenue; then south-eastward on the alley between Sartori and Border avenue to a center line

between Arlington and Cravens; then south on a center line or alley between Arlington and Cravens to the alley between Engracia and Post; then south-westward on the alley between Engracia and Post to Cota Avenue.

All elementary school children residing west of this line shall attend classes at Fern avenue and Greenwood schools.

Special Cowboy Week Movies at Playgrounds

Special movies are being presented today and tomorrow at all Torrance Playgrounds in connection with Cowboy Week activities.

A cartoon, "The Streamlined Donkey," along with "A Visit With Cowboys" and "Sparky, the Colt" are being shown.

Other special activities to be featured are cowboy games, cowboy songs, square dancing, and costume parades. Live horses will make their appearance on several playgrounds tomorrow.

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Sunday Christian Science Lesson

The spiritual significance of the city four-square whose gates "shall not be shut at all by day; for there shall be no night there" (Rev. 21:25) is considered in this Sunday's Bible Lesson on "Truth" in all Christian Science churches. The local church is at 218th st. and Montreal ave.

The Golden Text is from Isaiah (26:12): "We have a strong city; salvation will be open for us; walls and bulwarks. God open the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in."

In a Scriptural citation John writes, "And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven. . . . And . . . the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof. . . . And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, . . . are written in the Lamb's book of life" (Rev. 21:2,23,27).

Mary Baker Eddy says in "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures": "This ministry of Truth, this message from divine Love, carried John away in spirit. It exalted him till he became conscious of the spiritual facts of being and the 'New Jerusalem, coming down from God, out of heaven, — the spiritual outpouring of bliss and glory, which he described as the city which 'lieth foursquare' " (P.574).

Regular Services at First Methodist Church During Summer

The regular schedule of Sunday services is being continued during the summer months at The First Methodist Church, El Prado and Manual Ave., with the Church School beginning at 9:30 a. m. and the Morning Worship Service beginning at 10:50 a. m.

For the next three Sundays, the Rev. Mr. Miller, minister, will be in the pulpit. Then for the last two Sundays in August and the First Sunday in August it is planned that the regular minister will be given a vacation and the pulpit will be supplied by able substitutes.

Next Sunday, the Rev. Mr. Miller will bring the second in a series of sermons based on Old Testament characters. The first sermon was preached on the experiences of Moses hearing the call of God to go down into Egypt. Sunday's sermon will be on the theme, "God Given Courage," based on the character of Joshua. "Modern life is filled with many hazards and man needs a courage born of God to face up to his responsibilities. This courage is available to all who will have faith in God," said Rev. Miller.

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CHRISTIAN CHURCH—1415 Engracia. Rev. Cecil England, Pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 A.M. Morning Worship, 10:50 A.M. Young Peoples, 6:30 P.M.

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CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE—1501 West Carson Street. Rev. Freeman A. Krinson, Pastor. Sunday School, 9:45 A.M. Morning worship, 11:00 A.M. Youth Groups, 6:30 P.M. Evening Service, 7:30 P.M. People's Meeting Wednesday, 7:30 P.M.

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CHURCH OF RELIGIOUS SCIENCE—503 So. Catalina Avenue (Masonic Temple) Redondo Beach, California. Rev. Earl D. Barnum, Pastor. Phone FR. 4-8331. Sunday Morning Service, 11:00 A.M. Children's Church, 11:00 A.M. Wednesday Meditation Hour, 1:00 P.M. Friday evening service, 8:00 P.M.

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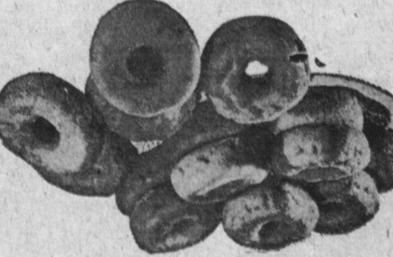
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